(b) The foregin exchange earned from export of fresh fruits and vegetables from various States and Union Territories during the last three years is given below.

(Value: Rupees in crore)

Year	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
Value	1363.71	1658.71	2411.65	1447.38*

Source: DGC&IS *Provisional for April-October 2007

(c) No, Sir. The Ministry of Agriculture is already implementing the Scheme on Technology Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture in North Eastern and Himalayan States under which assistance is provided to the producers for production of unseasonal vegetables.

(d) Does, not arise.

SEZs approved by Government

2038. SHRI S.M. LALJAN BASHA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of SEZs approved by Government in 2007-08;

(b) the State-wise location of such SEZs approved;

(c) whether it is a fact that no public announcement was made of the SEZ clearances;

(d) the reasons for this stealthy way of clearance; and

(e) the measures proposed to give publicity and transparency to the SEZ operators, clearance and approvals?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH): (a) and (b) State-wise distribution of Special Economic Zones (SEZs) approved during 2007-08 is enclosed as statement (*see* below).

(c) to (e) Details of all approvals granted for setting up of Special Economic Zones (SEZs) and other details relating to investment, employment and exports are placed on the website of the Department of Commerce and these are updated from time to time.

Statement

State-wise Distribution of approved Special Economic Zones in 2007-08

Sl. No.	State	Formal approvals
1.	Andhra Pradesh	26
2.	Chattisgarh	1
3.	Delhi	1
4	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	4
5.	Goa	3
6.	Gujarat	23

Sl. No.	State	Formal approvals
7.	Haryana	17
8.	Karnataka	13
9.	Madhya Pradesh	8
10.	Maharasthra	41
11.	Nagaland	2
12.	Orissa	4
13.	Punjab	3
14.	Rajasthan	3
15.	Tamil Nadu	32
16.	Uttar Pradesh	16
17.	West Bengal	13
	GRAND TOTAL	210

Time limit for implementation of SEZ project

2039. SHRI AMAR SINGH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had formed any policy with regard to the implementation of SEZ project with a time limit;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, will it not amount to hoarding of precious land by the private contractors engaged in developing SEZs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH): (a) and (b) The Special Economic Zones (SEZ) Rules, 2006 specifically provide that the letter of approval granted to a Developer shall be valid for a period of three years, with which time effective steps shall be taken by the Developer to implement the project.

(c) Does not arise.

Sea-food export

2040. SHRI SHANTARAM LAXMAN NAIK: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what is the status of sea-food export in the country;

(b) whether sea-food export has come down recently; and

(c) the details of the sea-food export from the Western States in the last five years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH): (a) and (b) Exports during